

AFRIKAN WORLD CIVILIZATIONS

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Fall 2009 CLASS SCHEDULE (Subject to change)

11 Fridays 7:00pm – 9:00pm

New Location!

Yvonne Brathwaite Burke Ladera Park Community Center, 4750 62nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90056 (first block west of La Brea Avenue). Free parking!

18 September (Free lecture)

This ever-evolving lecture continues to look at the Afrikan presence and accomplishments around the world. It will reveal information that no educational institutions include in their curricula.

25 September

Dr. Kwaku will show the last complete interview he conducted with Dr. Ivan Sertima, who taught us about the Afrikan presence in the Americas before Columbus. We will also see a tour of the Nile Valley from Dr. Yosef-ben-Jochannan (Dr. Ben), who was the first to take an American Afrikan tour group to Kemet (Egypt).

2 October

The Brown v. Board of Education Supreme Court decision was the most monumental civil rights case in American history, theoretically ending segregation in the public school system. The intrigue leading up to that decision was as dramatic as any Hollywood movie. We will see the social struggle and legal wrangling that took place behind the scenes.

9 October

The question has been asked many times how Afrikans in antiquity were able to sail to far away places around the world. The answer to that will be revealed for the first time. We will also look at the Afrikan presence in the South American country of Columbia.

16 October

Lerone Bennett, historian and author, wrote the most insightful book ever written on Abraham Lincoln. He will reveal who the man really was and his hatred for Afrikan people. We will also see Wangari Maathai, from Kenya, recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, who started a conservationist and women's movement that change a government.

23 October

The results of the Cuban revolution had a tremendous affect on the Afrikan continent, including the ending of apartheid in South Afrika, the freeing of Nelson Mandela, the liberation of Angola, and other accomplishments. We will explore this extraordinary occurrence in Afrikan world history.

30 October

Bahia is the most Afrikan area in Brazil. We will observe an inside look at this Afrikan culture in the New World. We will also explore the San people (first human beings) of Botswana, and how the government is destroying their culture. We will also look at the tragedy of albinos in Afrika.

6 November

Conservation in Afrika is a recent activity, turning into a profitable business for members of the Maasai culture in Kenya. We will observe one of Afrika's most unique business arrangements. We will also see the horrible history of a slave castle in Ghana, during President Obama's visit there.

13 November

Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm was the most dynamic and courageous woman of Afrikan descent in the US Congress. She was the first woman of Afrikan descent elected to Congress, the first major party Black candidate to run for President, and the first woman to run for the Democratic presidential nomination. We will see this great woman in action.

20 November

Swaziland is the only country in Afrikan with a total monarchy. For the first time get an inside look at the king, his multiple wives, and the intense struggle his citizens are putting up to end the poverty stricken conditions they live in. Also see the story of how enslaved Afrikans built the capital in Washington D.C.

27 November – NO CLASS (Thanksgiving Weekend)

4 December

Open for new developments.

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